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1. The reply filed on 1/11/02 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because: The elected invention of Group I, claims 1-6 and 14 must also contain an election of one of the alpha subunits disclosed as  $\alpha_{IG}$ ,  $\alpha_{IH}$  or  $\alpha_{II}$ , as stated on page 7 of the previous office action, paper number 7 mailed 10/3/01. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide* attempt to comply with the requirements of the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825), applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of **ONE (1) MONTH** from the mailing date of this communication within which to correct the deficiency so as to comply with the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825) in order to avoid abandonment of the application under 37 CFR 1.821(g). EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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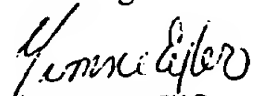
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